

**Job Title:** Chef  
**Reporting to:** Head Chef/ Home Manager



### **Main Purpose of the Role**

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You will assist with the provision of a catering service within the home, paying particular attention to the planning, preparation and cooking of meals, ensuring all tasks comply with operational standards as well as statutory regulations.

**OUR HOMES PROVIDE AN ENVIRONMENT WHERE INDIVIDUALITY IS EMPHASISED AND THE PRIVACY AND DIGNITY OF ALL OUR RESIDENTS IS RECOGNISED**

### **Duties and Responsibilities**

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- Assist with the preparation and delivery of all meals, snacks and beverages for residents within the home in line with the Food Standards Agency's Safe Catering policies and guidelines, maintaining clear and detailed records as required.
- Supervise and help train members of the catering team, providing guidance and support.
- Assist with the storage and rotation of food stocks and inventory, complying with all health, safety and environmental health regulations.
- Assist with amending menus as necessary, taking into consideration individual choices, dietary needs, nutritional and religious requirements of the residents.
- Ensure the food prepared meets the correct texture and thickness in line with The International Dysphagia Diet Standardisation Initiative (IDDSI) levels but is also healthy and wholesome.
- Maintain a clean and organised kitchen environment.

### **About you**

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- Be numerate, literate, and qualified to NVQ Level 3 Diploma in Professional Cookery.
- Have excellent interpersonal and communication skills.
- Hold a basic Food Safety certificate.
- Have at least 2 years' experience in a food preparation/ kitchen environment.
- Understand the dietary needs, nutritional and religious requirements of the elderly.
- Have the ability to work in a fast-paced environment while maintaining attention to detail.
- Have basic knowledge of HACCP, COSHH and Health and Safety.
- Have experience gained in a care home or healthcare environment would be an advantage.

### **Additional information**

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- Disclosure and Barring Service - you will need to complete an Enhanced Access NI disclosure. Access NI is a branch in the Department of Justice. Its role is to process applications from members of the public who require a criminal record check for employment purposes. Healthcare Ireland require 3 forms of ID to process this check.